

# **Announcement No. STATE-FNSI-12-15**

POSITION: Political Intern

**OPEN TO:** All Honduran and other foreign nationals who are legal resident students of the

host country.

(\*U.S. citizen students or dual citizen Honduran/U.S. students are not eligible under this program)

**OPENING DATE:** February 9, 2015

**CLOSING DATE:** March 2, 2015

WORK HOURS: Minimum 20 hours per week

**STARTING DATE:** Throughout the year

**DURATION:** At least 3 months

**SALARY:** Volunteer, unpaid

\*NOTE: U.S. citizen students or dual citizen Honduran/U.S. students are not eligible under this program. The U.S. Department of State sponsors a separate intern program for U.S. citizens. For more information on student programs with the State Department go to <a href="http://careers.state.gov">http://careers.state.gov</a> and click on Student Programs.

The U.S. Embassy is seeking an Intern in the Political Section. This is an unpaid/volunteer internship with no benefits, compensation, or any future employment rights being accrued as a result of an internship. Interns are required to have current medical insurance coverage.

### **BASIC FUNCTION:**

The incumbent is responsible for assisting Political Officers in collecting and analyzing information on current Honduran political issues and drafting cables on political topics; drafting biographies of Honduran officials; meeting with Honduran officials to collect information on human rights and labor issues; working with Public Affairs and other Embassy sections to plan political-related events; acting as note takers in meetings between Political Officers and Honduran government officials; and helping with general administrative work.

### **REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

(NOTE: APPLICANTS MUST ADDRESS AND INCLUDE TO THE APPLICATION COPIES OF <u>ALL REQUIREMENTS</u> <u>LISTED BELOW</u> AND SUBMIT DOCUMENTATION THAT SUPPORTS THESE REQUIREMENTS, I.E. UNIVERSITY STUDIES. APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IF THESE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT SUBMITTED).

**EDUCATION:** University studies in political science, international relations, or related field with an interest in

Central American affairs is required.

LANGUAGE: Level III (Good working knowledge) in English and Level IV (Fluent) in Spanish is required. This

will be tested.

### **SKILLS AND**

ABILITIES: Must be knowledgeable in computer applications such as MS Word, Outlook, and Internet

Explorer. Must have good communication skills.

# **SELECTION PROCESS:**

It is essential that the candidate address the above required qualifications in the application. Those who meet the basic qualifications will be invited to participate in an oral interview.

# **ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA:**

- 1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, and residency status in determining successful internship.
- 2. Security and medical certifications must be completed before beginning the internship.
- 3. Must be at least 18 years old.
- 4. At least two letters of recommendation from professors.

# TO APPLY:

Interested applicants for this position must submit the following or the application will not be considered:

- 1. Application
- 2. Statement of Interest form
- 3. Academic Transcripts

## **SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:**

**BY MAIL:** Send to the following address: U.S. Embassy, Human Resources Office, Room 335, P.O. Box 3453, Tegucigalpa, Honduras. **IN PERSON:** Hand-carry and deposit in drop box located at the entrance of the U.S. Embassy, Post # 3, Avenida San Carlos. **VIA E-MAIL:** Send to: **TGGIntern@state.gov** 

## **CLOSING DATE FOR THIS ANNOUNCEMENT: March 2, 2015**

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